

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SELIM ZHERKA,

Plaintiff,

- against -

MICHAEL F. BOGDANOS, individually,  
MICHAEL R. EDELMAN, individually a/k/a "THE  
CONSULTANT", PHILIP AMICONE, individually  
and in his capacity as Mayor of the City of Yonkers,  
New York; DAVID "DOE" a/k/a "ETHAN  
EDWARDS", individually, EDMUND ROE a/k/a  
"MOB BUSTER", individually, et al.

Defendants.

No. 08 Civ. 2062 (CLB)(GAY)

**AFFIDAVIT OF MARK A.  
FOWLER IN SUPPORT OF  
MOTION TO QUASH OR  
MODIFY SUBPOENAS  
DUCES TECUM**

STATE OF NEW YORK     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK    )

MARK A. FOWLER, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am a member of the Bar of this Court and an attorney for non-party Gannett Satellite Information Network, Inc. ("Gannett"). I make this affidavit in support of Gannett's motion to quash three subpoenas duces tecum (the "Subpoenas"), dated June 27, 2008, served upon Gannett by plaintiff Selim Zherka.

**BACKGROUND**

2. Gannett is the publisher of The Journal News, a daily newspaper that is widely distributed throughout Westchester, Bronx, New York, Putnam, and Rockland Counties, and in surrounding areas of New York and Southern Connecticut. The Journal News operates as a business division of Gannett and is not a separate entity.

3. In addition to the print versions of the newspaper, The Journal News operates a website, www.lohud.com, which contains, among other things, on-line community forums on which readers may post comments regarding news, opinion, or matters of public or community interest.

4. From the complaint in this action, it appears that the plaintiff, Selim Zherka, is contending that several statements that were posted by certain visitors to the lohud.com website, who identified themselves only by the pseudonyms “Mob Buster” and “Ethan Edwards” (the “Posters”), were false and defamatory. Mr. Zherka’s Subpoenas seek the disclosure of any information in Gannett’s possession or control that could potentially lead, directly or indirectly, to the identification of the pseudonymous Posters.

5. *The Journal News* respectfully urges that, in light of the protection accorded to anonymous speech under the First Amendment to the United States Constitutions and under Article I, Section 8, of the New York State Constitution, the subpoenas cannot be enforced unless Mr. Zherka can first demonstrate to this Court that he has a valid claim against these Posters, and respectfully suggests that the Court apply the multi-part test set forth in *Dendrite Int’l v. Doe No. 3*, 775 A.2d 756 (N.J. Super. App. Div. 2001), *Doe I v. Individuals*, \_\_ F. Supp. \_\_, 2008 WL 2428206 (D.Conn. June 13, 2008), and other federal and state cases.

### **THE SUBPOENAS**

6. On or about June 30, 2008, a process server delivered the three Subpoenas to The Journal News’s office in White Plains, New York. The Subpoenas seek “each document in your possession, custody, and/or control concerning the true

identities of the following bloggers who have made blog entries on Politics on the Hudson: "Mob Buster"; "Ethan Edwards." Notice of this subpoena to bloggers "Mob Buster" and "Ethan Edwards" is being posted on "Politics on the Hudson" to afford them an opportunity to move to quash." (Copies of the Subpoenas are annexed hereto as Exhibit "A.")

**MR. ZHERKA'S PURPORTED "NOTICE"**

6. "Politics on the Hudson" is the title of a series of weblog (or "blog") entries discussing local political matters that appear on lohud.com. The blog entries themselves are written by Journal News reporters. However, individual visitors to website may – and frequently do – post comments of their own in response to the blog entries.

7. As indicated in the text of the subpoenas quoted above, Mr. Zherka's attorney posted a notice (the "Notice") in the comments section of one blog entry in the "Politics on Hudson" weblog forum, on or about June 27, 2008. The Notice stated:

Notice to bloggers" Mob Buster" abd [sic] "Ethan Edwards" In Zherka v Bogdanos 08 Civ.2062 (CLB/GAY), presently pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, counsel to the Plaintiff is today issuing document production subpoenas to Lohud.com, The Journal News and Gannett NewsPapers [sic] requiring production to Plaintiff's counsel of all identifying information pertaining to these two Bloggers. If " Mob Buster " and or " Ethan Edwards " would like to challenge that subpoena they should move to quash the subpoena in the United States District Court, 300 Quarropas Street, White Plains, N.Y. 10601. The Subpoena is returnable at the law office of Lovett & Gould, LLP, 222 Bloomingdale Road, White Plains, N.Y. 10605 on July 11, 2008.

(A copy of the Notice is annexed hereto as Exhibit "B.")

7. Significantly, the Notice appeared as a comment under the Journal News staff-written blog entry entitled “Know Your Audience,” which was seemingly unrelated to the current lawsuit or the controversies that give rise to it. Specifically, the “Know Your Audience” blog entry described a fundraising event for a Larchmont, New York, politician, who is running for state Senate. Neither the title of the blog nor its subject matter would seem to suggest to that reader that this would be a place to find discussion concerning the political controversies in Yonkers that are at the heart of this lawsuit. Prior cases involving efforts to obtain identifying information concerning anonymous internet posters have required the party seeking such information to make reasonable efforts to notify the posters. As a result of the curious positioning of the Notice provided by Mr. Zherka’s counsel, it is not clear that the Notice was, in fact, reasonably calculated to come to the attention of the pseudonymous Posters. With each passing day, the Notice also became increasingly difficult for readers to locate (even if they were actively seeking to locate it), as subsequent blog entries pushed the “Know Your Audience” blog off of the first page of the “Politics on the Hudson” and deeper and deeper into the archive.

8. Equally important, the Notice failed to indicate that the Posters could seek to intervene in this case anonymously in order to challenge the propriety of the subpoenas. The Journal News respectfully submits that, under the applicable case law, it is essential for the notification to make clear that persons seeking to challenge subpoenas may seek to appear anonymously. In the absence that assurance, potential intervenors may naturally fear that, in coming forward to challenge the subpoenas, they

will inevitably be forced to give up their anonymity – thereby relinquishing the very constitutional right they would be seeking to protect.

**MR. ZHERKA’S EARLIER SUBPOENAS DIRECTED TO GANNETT**

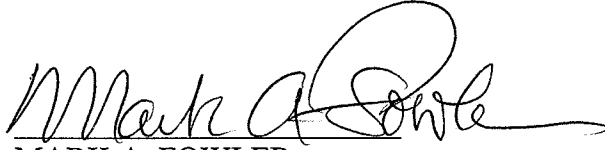
9. This is the second time that Mr. Zherka (for the purpose of pursuing defamation claims) has sought information concerning the identity of the Posters who have used the screen names “mob buster” and “Ethan Edwards.” In February of this year, Mr. Zherka’s counsel served a series of virtually identical subpoenas in the related case of *Zherka v. Amicone*, 07 Civ. 9618 (S.D.N.Y) (the “Amicone Case”). *The Journal News* filed a motion to quash, and Mr. Zherka’s counsel withdrew the subpoenas before Judge Brieant could decide the motion, acknowledging that Zherka could not demonstrate that the subpoenas had been properly served.

10. As a result of Gannett’s briefing in connection with the subpoenas in the Amicone Case, counsel for Mr. Zherka was on notice as to strict test that must be satisfied under cases such as Dendrite before disclosure of potentially identifying information can be compelled, including the requirement to make reasonable efforts to notify the Posters.

**PLAINTIFF MAY HAVE ALTERNATIVE SOURCES FOR THE INFORMATION**

11. Finally, Mr. Zherka’s counsel advised me in a telephone conference in early July 2008, that it was his understanding that one of the defendants in this case may know (and may even have previously disclosed) the identities of the Posters using the screen names “Mob Buster” and “Ethan Edwards.” The Journal News respectfully submits that, under established First Amendment principles, Mr. Zherka

should be required, at the very least, to exhaust any alternative means of obtaining the subpoenaed information (i.e., by taking the relevant defendant's deposition) before seeking to enforce the subpoenas against Gannett.

  
MARK A. FOWLER

Sworn to before me this  
25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008

  
Notary Public

**DOREEN CLASSI**  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01CL4669322  
Qualified in Nassau County  
Commission Expires Sept. 30, 20 10

# **EXHIBIT A**

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

**SELIM ZHERKA,**

**Plaintiff,**

**-against-**

**SUBPOENA IN A CIVIL CASE**

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**Defendants.**

**TO: LoHud.com**

**One Gannett Drive**

**White Plains, New York**

**YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear in the United States District Court at the place, date and time specified below to testify in the above case.**

**JUN 30 PM 12:59**

PLACE OF TESTIMONY

COURTROOM  
DATE AND TIME

**YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear at the place, date and time specified below to testify at the taking of a deposition in the above case.**

PLACE OF DEPOSITION

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PLACE

**Lovett & Gould, LLP, 222 Bloomingdale Road, White Plains, New York 10605**

DATE AND TIME

**July 11, 2008 @ 10:00 a.m.**

**YOU ARE COMMANDED to permit inspection of the following premises at the date and time specified below.**

PREMISES

DATE AND TIME

**Any organization not a party to this suit that is subpoenaed for the taking of a deposition shall designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or other persons who consent to testify on its behalf, and may set forth, for each person designated, the matters on which the person will testify. Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, 30(b)(6).**

ISSUING OFFICER SIGNATURE AND TITLE - ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

DATE

**June 27, 2008**

ISSUING OFFICER'S NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER

**Jonathan Lovett, Esq. (4854)**

**Lovett & Gould, LLP, 222 Bloomingdale Road, White Plains, New York 10605. (914) 428-8401**



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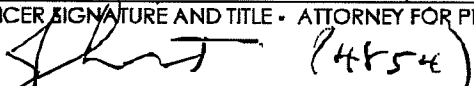
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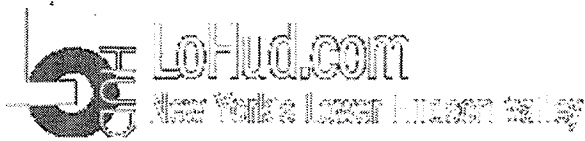
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## Know your audience

June  
27

Larchmont Mayor Liz Feld, who is running for state Senate, has been slamming Albany pols lately. But she toned it down a bit Thursday night wh Skelos and outgoing Senate President Joseph Bruno came to town for a fundraiser for her GOP campaign. Bill O'Reilly, who is handling press for Download:





We're told she raised over \$100,000 at the event.

This entry was posted on Friday, June 27th, 2008 at 12:06 pm by Liz Anderson.  
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## 22 Responses To "Know Your Audience"

1. Patriot June 27th, 2008 at 12:42 pm

Way to rip off Liz Benjamin at the Daily Politics blog of the Daily News, who posted this same item in quite similar verbiage, an hour earlier.

2. Liz Anderson June 27th, 2008 at 1:06 pm

As said in the post, the campaign sent this to the press. It's **their** video. So if bloggers are taking this from anyone, it's from the campaign.

For a peek behind the curtain, here's the email from O'Reilly:

Good morning.

Thought you might be interested in this.

Dean Skelos and Joe Bruno traveled to Westchester County last night (Thursday) to stop in at a fundraiser for Mayor Liz Feld® who is running Westchester's 37th District. It was hosted by Jim Millstein, Chairman of Democrats for Feld. The event raised about \$100,000.

As you know, Mayor Feld has been unreservedly critical in recent weeks of Republicans and Democrats in Albany, including the Republican not working to pass a 4% cap on local spending, which would provide property tax relief, a top Westchester priority.

So when Mayor Feld was making her remarks, with the new and former Majority Leader in the room, there was a funny moment. It's captured.

Thought you might want it.

Best,

Bill

3. Walter June 27th, 2008 at 1:09 pm

Feld has been great on this issue. She really hit her own party on it and now they're sponsoring the tax cap.



4. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 1:30 pm

Oppenheimer has never had a true challenge...and in light of the rising property taxes in westchester even many who are considered upper income and who live in the oppenheimer senate district...are taking a good hard look at why they are being penalized for having a democratic senator...Liz has an excellent chance of winning the seat this year

5. Tim Hays June 27th, 2008 at 2:05 pm

Sen. Oppenheimer is a real graybeard, and her husband is one step ahead of the US Attorney.

Get rid of these people: they are corrupt.

6. sam zherka June 27th, 2008 at 3:46 pm

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9. WaltTrombone June 27th, 2008 at 4:16 pm

Hmmm, now we have legal notices here, too?

BTW, hi to the other Walter!

10. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 4:46 pm

I am personally glad that the blogging entries on loHud will now be available for all to see....because then it will be clear that the allegations of what the consultant allegedly said in the papers filed by Lovett were never uttered by the consultant....although other bloggers did say things that were offensive to sam zherka... however once the identities of all the bloggers are known ..the statements made by each one will be obvious and there will be no ability to attribute a statement by one to anyone else....the best thing that could happen....as far as the consultant is concerned..In fact for anyone who wants copies of the archives please inform the consultant and you too will get all the entries so you can see for yourself who said what...

11. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 4:56 pm

by the way...the revelation of the names of the bloggers has nothing to do with the fact that the manhattan

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county da is apparently ,(according to the papers filed by zherka) conducting a criminal investigation which zherka believes is aimed at him....why ..who knows.. but remember the allegation that all those bloggers supplied information to the manhattan da..which CAUSED HIM TO LAUNCH HIS INVESTIGATION..the answer of the da stated categorically that there WAS NO PRIOR RELATIONSHIP WITH ANY OF THE BLOGGERS IE A CONSPIRACY COULD NOT HAVE EXISTED....

12. Tim Hays June 27th, 2008 at 5:57 pm

Oh: this is really getting fun!

I like that Mr. Zherka is brave and using his name here (as I do).

Mr. Sam: we are NEVER threatened by free speech: that which you righteously use in your weekly newspaper. (Disclosure: I have been in 1974, and founded and was ed and pub of a basketball newspaper; then, spent a career at the old LA Herald Examiner and LA Times.)

I shall defend your right to publish—to my grave. It's my reason for loving our United States of America, the most righteous nation in the h

I admire your successful launch of The Guardian, even though you've pissed off a bunch of friends of mine.

But, Mr. Zherka: we will never be threatened by the free speech of others, even if anonymous, even if it hurts us. It's the cost of living in a

Faithfully,

Tim

13. henry June 27th, 2008 at 6:01 pm

I hear that Lohud already Identified the ID of Mike Edelman as the consultant. As far as the defamation and slander of Zherka, I remembe defamatory blogs made by the Consultant aka Mike Edelman. This guy has alot of problems. Big Problems.

14. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 6:24 pm

henry ..you don't remember anything..i have all the blog entries..and other than discussing the amount of money zherka gave to robertson..there were no statements that were remotely slanderous....and when the blogs are made public you and all the rest of the zherka fans who think they know what was said and who said it will crawl back under the rocks they came from... you see my attorneys and I did the research...we have the blogs....that is not to say that others said things about zherka ..but the consultant did not...so your memory sucks

15. Tim Hays June 27th, 2008 at 6:29 pm

"henry"? what a half-a-man pussy he is, albeit articulate, talking about "outing" others in anonymity. I mean, "henry"—can you live with you

Try to be brave, "henry"

16. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 6:30 pm

and for the law firm of lovett and Gould to announce to the press before they filed the lawsuit that the consultant made certain statements not backed up by the record violates a number of ethics dr's and I will be filing grievances against the entire firm....as well as counterclaims for defamation against sam zherka..because recklessness in what you say is punishable...and then you can all sit back and scratch your heads and say.....what happened!..but i can tell you what happened..the attorney didn't

do his homework..he apparently took at face value what either zherka or sam robertson said. He did him was in the blogs..as it turns out ...that is not the case...so who pays me for the damage done to my reputation.....henry now that the blogs are subject to subpoena maybe you should come forward and tell us what you read and where....because your statement may constitute defamation..in fact i intend to instruct my family lawyers to seek your name and take your deposition because your statemnt that the consultant aka mike edelman made defamatory remarks is in itself defamatory if not true

17. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 6:39 pm

tim..are we on the same page here..I join in the application of zherka to release all of the information on the bloggers...because I know what I said and when I said it...you have guys like henry who make generic accusations about what he says he remembers reading on the blogs...who the hell can remember anything that was said or who said it almost a year ago.. point is that if bloggers names are going to be released..than accusations of defamatory conduct are subject to scrutiny..so unless people have specific information about what was said in front of them..a generalized statement that someone made a defamatory statement and has "big problems" is in itself defamatory

18. Tim Hays June 27th, 2008 at 6:46 pm

I want to go to law school, and graduate, pass the bar, then practice with my hero: "consultant." But, he'll be in Florida in retirement by the

I really admire "consultant."

He is one of the wisest, smartest, most intelligent humans I have ever known.

His identity remains secret. ;>

19. Tim Hays June 27th, 2008 at 6:49 pm

Mike: we are on the same page, at all times, always.

Tim

20. the consultant June 27th, 2008 at 6:50 pm

cool beans..you can practice with me anytime..maybe we will get it right at last....in the meantime I am under intense attack..from mr zherka...for things not said by me on this blog...I invite you over for a martini to review all of the blog entries in and around the dates mentioned in the lawsuit and you can see for yourself as a top journalist and author that there were no statements by me and you have my personal word on this ...about sam zherka other than that he was a major robertson contributor in the last election... it was political not personal..and in fact all the other bloggers who were alleging that he was some sort of mobster etc....were not the consultant but interstingly enough the lawuit interrogatories wants to see who the consultant was consulting for that sounds more like a worried man..who wants to intimidate the consultant from representing clients because he wins most of the time..especially against tony castro...2-0...



Tim call me the week after next...lunch at the club  
there are a number of items I want to discuss....

as always mre

22. Tim Hays June 27th, 2008 at 8:51 pm

consultant: will call you.

Mr. Sam: stop breaking unnecessary balls. Really. Sam (and Richard): you guys are on the right track (except with Janet), even if you alie when I hate you.

We keep freedom of speech and expression legal. Until the libel judgment comes in. ;>

Laughs.

Tim

## Leave A Reply

It is a condition of your use of the comment features associated with the blogs that you do not: Use the site to post or transmit any unlawful, threa defamatory, obscene, vulgar, pornographic, profane or indecent information of any kind, including without limitation any transmissions constituting would constitute a criminal offense, give rise to civil liability or otherwise violate any local, state, national or international law. You alone are respo or send. Refer to the Terms of Service.

Name (required)

Mail (will not be published) (required)

Website

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### About this blog

Politics on the Hudson, from The Journal News/LoHud.com, is your online source for up-to-the-minute political news, insight and dish in th New York state. Contributors to the blog include reporters and editors from Westchester, Rockland and Putnam counties, as well as Albar

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